



**Embassy of the United States of America
Consular Section – Immigrant Visa Unit
Manila, Philippines**

**MEDICAL EXAMINATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR IMMIGRANT,
“K” AND “V” VISA APPLICANTS**

Under U.S. immigration law, **ALL** applicants for immigrant, “K” and “V” visas are required to undergo and complete a medical examination, regardless of age. The medical examination findings by a panel physician are binding on the consular officer and used to determine eligibility to receive a visa.

St. Luke’s Medical Center Extension Clinic (SLMCEC) is the Embassy’s accredited medical facility. It is located at 1177 J. Bocobo St., Ermita, Manila. The telephone numbers are 521-0020 and 521-8647, and it is open for business Monday through Friday (except on Philippine holidays), from 7:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. and from 1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. When you go to SLMCEC for medical examination, you must bring your passport and one photo (size: 2” x 2”).

It is important that you must have completed your medical examination when you come to the Embassy for your visa interview. Otherwise, your visa application will be refused or you may be asked to return for another appointment. The medical examination results are delivered directly to the Embassy.

First-Come, First-Served

Applicants are examined on a first-come, first-served basis. Medical examinations may take more than one day to complete. Female applicants may request a female doctor to perform the examination. Unless it is necessary, do not bring companions due to space limitation at the clinic.

Fees

The medical examination fee is **US\$213.35** for adults (15 years of age or older) and **US\$185.35** for children (14 years of age or younger). Repeat X-rays will cost **US\$7** each. **Fees must be paid only in Philippine pesos at the prevailing exchange rate.**

X-Rays

A chest X-ray is not required for children below 15 years old, unless symptoms of tuberculosis (TB) exist, there is a history of TB, or there has been possible exposure of TB with a known case such as a family or household member with TB.

Chest X-rays for pregnant women are not dangerous if taken with the proper shielding. U.S. Public Health Service/Centers for Disease Control (USPHS/CDC) has approved an exception to the chest X-ray requirement for pregnant women if they do not want to take it. However, pregnant women visa applicants are advised to obtain a tuberculin skin test and any necessary follow-up at the local health department after arriving in the United States. Applicants who have previous chest X-rays must bring the results with them to SLMCEC for comparative analysis.

Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Test

HIV infection, which may lead to Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS), is a communicable disease of public health significance. **ALL** applicants 15 years of age or older must be tested for evidence of HIV infection. Those under the age of 15 may be tested if there is reason to suspect HIV infection (for example a child whose natural parent is HIV-positive).

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VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS FOR IMMIGRANT VISA APPLICANTS

U.S. immigration law requires that **ALL** immigrant visa applicants be vaccinated against certain vaccine-preventable diseases before they can be admitted to the United States for permanent residence.

Vaccinations currently required are as follows:

- Mumps
- Measles
- Rubella
- Polio
- Tetanus and Diphtheria toxoids
- Pertussis
- Influenza Type B
- Hepatitis Type A
- Hepatitis Type B
- Varicella
- Pneumococcal
- Rotavirus
- Meningococcal
- Human Papillomavirus
- Zoster
- Any other vaccinations recommended by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices

Bring Your Vaccination Records For The Panel Physician's Review

You should bring records to show that you have already received vaccination against certain vaccine-preventable diseases. The panel physician will review the vaccination records and will determine if you meet the vaccination requirement. Only the panel physician can determine which vaccinations are medically appropriate. This could mean that you may be required to repeat doses of vaccines that you have already received. Administering a second dose, however, will not endanger your health.

Vaccination Requirement Waiver

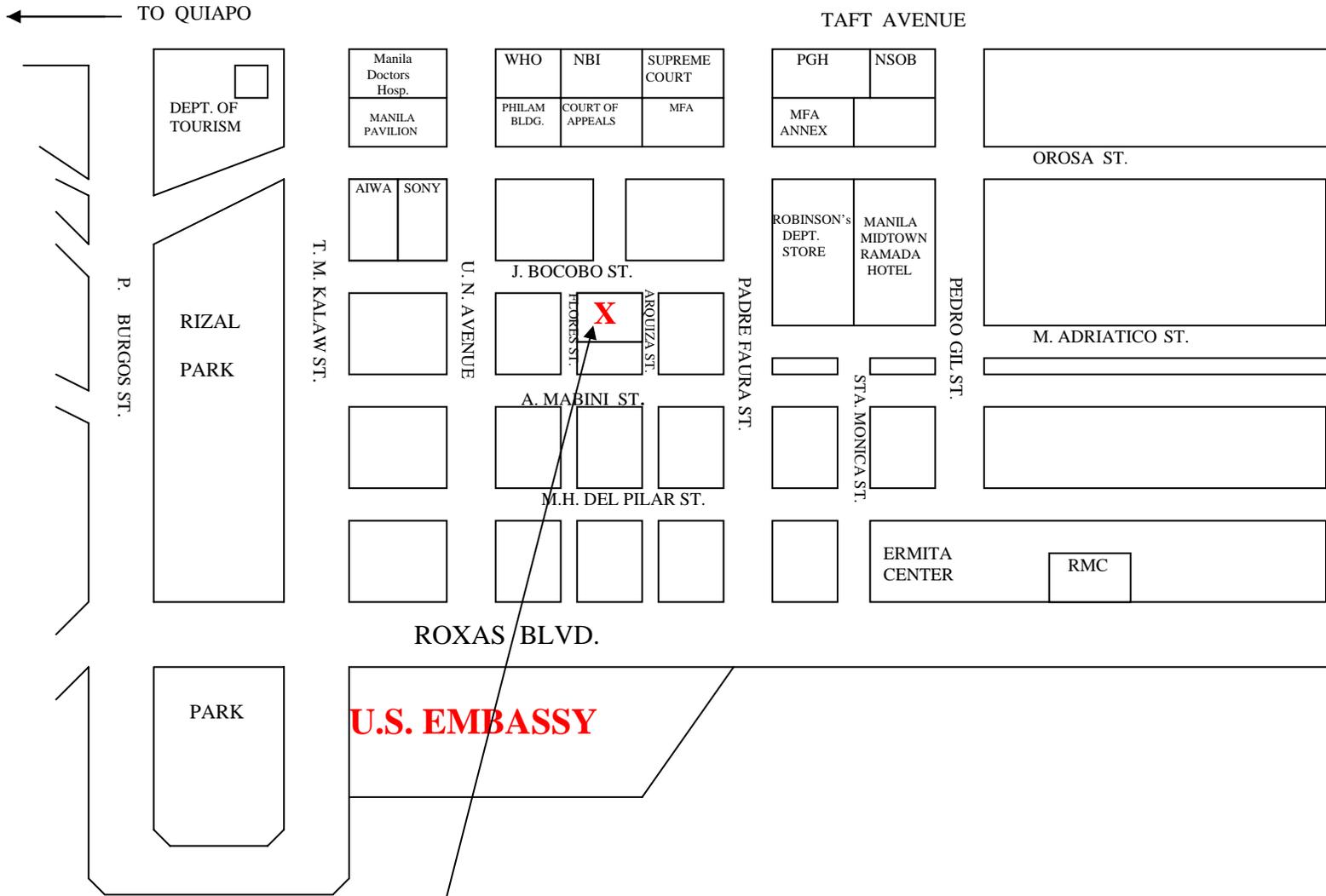
Upon the panel physician's recommendation, a consular officer may authorize a waiver if it is determined that a required vaccination is medically inappropriate because of your age, health condition or medical history.

The U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) may also authorize a waiver if you can establish that compliance with the vaccination requirements would be contrary to your religious beliefs or moral convictions.

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PAUNAWA SA PAGESUSURING MEDIKAL PARA SA MGA APPLIKANTE NG IMMIGRANT, "K" AT "V" VISA

Sa ilalim ng batas imigrasyon ng Amerika, **LAHAT** ng aplikante ng *immigrant*, "K" at "V" visas ay kinakailangang sumailalim sa pagsusuring-medikal. Ang resulta ng pagsusuring ito ay umiiral sa mga konsul at gagamitin para matiyak kung kayo ay karapat-dapat na tumanggap ng *visa*.

Ipinangasiwa ng Embahada sa *St. Luke's Medical Center Extension Clinic (SLMCEC)* ang pagpapatupad sa tungkuling ito. Ang *SLMCEC* ay matatagpuan sa *1177 J. Bocobo St., Ermita, Manila*, telepono bilang *521-0020* at *521-8647*. Ito ay bukas Lunes hanggang Biyernes (maliban kung pista-opisyal), mula 7:30-11:30 ng umaga at mula 1:00-4:30 ng hapon. Pagpunta sa klinika, dalhin ang inyong pasaporte at isang litrato (na may sukat na 2"x2").

Napakahalagang makumpleto ang inyong medikal pagdating ng inyong interbyu. Ang kakulangan nito ay magiging dahilan para hindi kayo mabigyan ng *visa* o ang pagpaliban at pagtakda ng inyong interbyu sa ibang araw. Ang resulta ng medikal ay tuluyang ipapadala ng *St. Luke's Extension Clinic* sa Embahada.

Paglingkod sa Pang-una

Ang pagkasunod-sunod sa mga magpapasuri ay ayon sa kung sino ang unang dumating. Ang eksaminasyon ay maaaring abutin ng mahigit isang (1) araw para matapos. Ang mga babaeng aplikante ay maaaring humiling na suriin sila ng isang babaeng doktor. Ang klinika ay hindi-gaanong kalakihan ang lugar, kaya huwag magsama ng ibang tao kung hindi kinakailangan.

Bayad sa Medikal

Ang bayad sa pagsusuring-medikal ay **US\$213.35** para sa mga aplikanteng labing-limang (15) taong gulang at pataas, at **US\$185.35** naman sa mga batang labing-apat (14) na taong gulang at pababa. Ang pagpapa-ulit ng *X-ray* ay **US\$7** bawat isa. **Maaaring bayaran lamang ang katumbas ng mga ito sa Philippine pesos sa kasalukuyang halaga ng palitan.**

X-Rays

Ang *chest X-ray* ay hindi kailangan sa mga batang wala pang labing-limang (15) taong gulang, maliban kung sila ay may sintomas ng tuberkulosis (TB) o posibleng pagkahawa ng TB, halimbawa dahil sa pakikisalamuha sa kasambahay na may TB.

Ang *chest X-ray* sa mga buntis ay hindi mapanganib kung ito ay isasagawa ng may tamang panabing. Ang *U.S. Public Health Service/Centers for Disease Control (USPHS/CDC)* ay pinahihintulutan ang hindi pagsama ng *chest X-ray* sa mga kailanganin ng mga nagdadalang-tao kung sila ay tatanggi. Gayunpaman, ang mga nagbubuntis ay pinapaalalahanang magpa-*tuberculin skin test* at magpatingin sa lokal na kagawarang pang-kalusugan pagdating sa Amerika.

Ang resulta ng mga nauna o dating *chest X-rays* ay kinakailangan ding dalhin para masuri at maihambing.

Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Test

Ang impeksiyon sa *HIV*, na nagbibigay-daan sa pagkakaroon ng *Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)*, ay isang nakakahawang sakit na may kabuluhan sa pangkalahatang kalusugan. **LAHAT** ng aplikanteng labing-limang (15) taong gulang at pataas ay kailangang suriin sa pamamagitan ng pagkuha ng dugo para sa anumang palatandaan ng impeksiyon sa *HIV*. Ang mga aplikanteng labing-apat (14) na taong gulang at pababa ay maaari ding suriin kung may matibay na dahilan ng pagkakaroon ng impeksiyon sa *HIV*, halimbawa, ang isang batang may magulang na positibo sa *HIV*.



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PAGPAPABAKUNA NG MGA APPLIKANTE NG IMMIGRANT VISA

Sa ilalim ng batas-imigrasyon ng Estados Unidos, **LAHAT** ng mga nagnanais na pirmihang manirahan doon ay kinakailangang mabakunahan laban sa ilang mga sakit.

Ang mga kinakailangang bakuna ay ang mga sumusunod:

- Mumps (Beke)
- Measles (Tigdas)
- Rubella
- Polio
- Tetanus at Diphtheria toxoids
- Pertussis
- Influenza Type B
- Hepatitis Type A
- Hepatitis Type B
- Varicella
- Pneumococcal
- Rotavirus
- Meningococcal
- Human Papillomavirus
- Zoster
- At mga bakunang ini-rekomenda ng *Centers for Disease Control (CDC) at Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices*

Dalhin Ang Talaan Ng Inyong Bakuna Para Mapag-aralan Ng Doktor

Kailangang magdala ng katunayang kayo ay dati ng nabakunahan. Pag-aaralan ng doktor ang talaan o ulat ng inyong bakuna para matiyak na ang mga ito ay sapat ayon sa batas. Tanging ang doktor ang makakapagsabi kung ano ang nararapat na bakuna. Maaaring ipaulit sa inyo ang pagkuha sa mga dating bakuna. Tandaan na ang pagkuha ng pangalawang dosis ay hindi makakasama sa inyong kalusugan.

Waiver sa Bakuna

Batay sa rekomendasyon ng doktor, maaaring pahintulutan ng konsul ang *waiver* kung mapapagpasiyahan na ang pagpapabakuna ay hindi angkop dahil sa inyong edad, kalusugan o nakaraan na may kinalaman sa pagpapagamot.

Ang *U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)* ay maaari ding magbigay ng *waiver* kung mapapatunayan na ang pagpapabakuna ay taliwas sa inyong paniniwalang pang-relihiyon o matibay na paniniwalang pang-asal/pag-uugali.